

MINE INSPECTION REPORT FOR Q2 2007

April 1 through June 30, 2007

BLACK BEAUTY COAL COMPANY

AIR QUALITY #1 MINE SOUTH PORTAL PREP PLANT AREA

INSPECTION DATE: 4/3/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Raw Coal Stacker
2. Raw Coal Tunnel and Belt
3. Clean Coal Tunnel and Belt
4. Mud Belt
5. Fines Belt
6. Loadout Belt
7. Loadout Facility
8. Preparation Plant
9. Surface Equipment
10. Mine Records
11. Slope Head House and All Hyd. Units
12. Prep Plant

FINDINGS

1. Loadout belt clean coal, head area needed cleaned
2. Loadout point raw coal head needed cleaned and belt structure
3. Mud belt structure and take-up needed cleaned
4. Steps at mud bin loading point needed cleaned
5. Raw coal tunnel belt structure needed cleaned
6. #6 feeders power cable needed repaired and hung
7. Raw coal stacker belt head, tail, and crossover guard needed cleaned
8. Walkway on raw coal stacker needs plastic pieces removed
9. Slope head house needs washed
10. Two burnt out lights need replaced in slope head house
11. Clean coal stacker belt's belly pan needs cleaned

LAW VIOLATED

- IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-4-5 sec b
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-10-11
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-4-5 sec 4b
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-5 sec 4a
IC 22-4-4

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

All violations were being corrected, the plant was in an idle mode and belt cleaning was being done before plant would be restarted. Cable at #6 feeder was repaired. Mine site was in fair condition.

BLACK BEAUTY COAL COMPANY

AIR QUALITY #1 MINE WHEATLAND PORTAL PREP PLANT AREA

INSPECTION DATE: 4/3/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Shop Area
2. Raw Coal Belt
3. Clean Coal Belt
4. Plant Feed Belt
5. #1 Stacker Belt
6. #2 Stacker Belt
7. Surface Equipment
8. Slope Head House
9. Raw Coal Tunnel
10. Fines Belt
11. Hyd. Units
12. Prep Plant

FINDINGS

1. Stop button at control box slope head house needs replaced
2. All multiple boxes on surface need IDs on outside of housings
3. Clean Coal belt walkway needs cleared of obstructions
4. Prep Plant deslime deck needs opening in wall repaired
5. #301-017 end loader needs engine compartment cleaned
6. #487 dozer needs guards on engine compartment

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-10-6 b
IC 22-10-10-11 sec 11
IC 22-10-4-5 sec b
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-13 sec 13 d
IC 22-10-10-13 sec 3d

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

All violations were noted and corrected; surface facility was in good condition and being run safely.

BLACK BEAUTY COAL COMPANY
AIR QUALITY #1 MINE

INSPECTION DATE: 6/18/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Unit #4
2. #4B Belt
3. Secondary Escapeway from Bottom to Unit #4
4. Secondary Escapeway from South Portal to Hart Street Portal
5. Prep Plant
6. Unit #4 Battery Stations

FINDINGS

1. #4 face in Unit #4 needed line curtain extended to face area
2. #4 face area outby needed additional rockdusting
3. 4B belt from head to #20 x-cut needs dusted
4. Water at #7 x-cut on 4B belt needs pumped
5. Top between #38 and #39 x-cut on 4B belt needs scaled down and timber set
6. Hydraulic unit at surface mud bin needs cleaned
7. Hydraulic unit at surface rock bin needs cleaned

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-7-4 sec 4 (g)
IC 22-10-8-2 sec 2 (c)
IC 22-10-8-2 sec 2 (c)
IC 22-10-4-4

IC 22-10-5-2 sec 2 (e)
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-4-4

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Curtain at #4 face was extended and area rockdusted. All violations on 4b belt were noted and being corrected. Hydraulic units at both the mud and rock bins were being cleaned.

Area of mine inspected was in good condition except for above violations, management and employees were helpful and informative.

***6/18/07:** A four-acre pond at the Wheatland portal subsided into and behind the 3 right 1 north sealed area. The water was pumped from the sealed area and the pond was filled in with refuse to two feet above pond level. The sealed area was inspected by MSHA and the State Bureau of Mines. The integrity of the seals did not seem to be breached, but MSHA recommended that a set of seals be built out by the affected area and the State concurs that this course of action would be the best, since it would eliminate the need to examine 12 sets of seals by the building of six seals.

GIBSON COAL COMPANY
GIBSON MINE PREP PLANT AREA

INSPECTION DATE: 4/23/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Slope Head House
2. Raw Coal Belt
3. Raw Coal Stacker
4. Raw Coal Storage Silo Belt

5. Rotary Feed Belt
6. Plant Feed Belt
7. Refuge Belt
8. Clean Coal Belt
9. Clean Coal Stacker
10. Clean Coal Storage Bin
11. Truck Load Out Belt
12. Prep Plant

FINDINGS

1. Slope head house 2nd deck at shaker needs cleaned
2. Head of raw coal stacker belt needs additional guarding at snub roller
3. Rotary feed belt head roller shaft mtr. side needs guarded
4. Bottom floor of rotary building needs cleaned
5. #403 refuge belt needs roller out of bracket removed

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-10-14 a 1&2
 IC 22-10-10-14 a 1&2
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-4-4

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

All violations were reported to management and work was being done to correct all conditions. Broken roller was removed immediately. Surface facility is well maintained and in excellent condition.

INSPECTION DATE: 6/11/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Unit #1
2. Unit #5
3. Unit #3
4. 1A belt
5. 1B belt
6. 3rd 42 N belt
7. Secondary escapeways from all units mentioned to bottom
8. Mine record books

FINDINGS

1. Unit #1 face #8 needed top scaled down
2. #44 x-cut rib at corner of 1A tail opposite haul roadside needs added support
3. 1B belt rib and top at #7 x-cut needs added support and walkway cleaned
4. Wire rope in walkway at #3 x-cut on 1B belt needs removed
5. 1B belt walkway btw #20 and # 21 x-cut needs cleaned
6. 1B belt btw #17 and #18 x-cut rock hanging over belt needs removed
7. 1B belt at #6 x-cut loose rib needs pulled down and area flagged
8. 1B belt rib btw #2 and #1 x-cut needs pried down and cleaned up

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-5-2 (d)
 IC 22-10-5 (e)
 IC 22-10-5 (e)/22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-5 (d)
 IC 22-10-5-2 (a)
 IC 22-10-2(d)

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Rib at #6 x-cut was attended to. Top at #8 face unit #1 was taken down. All other violations were noted and being corrected. Mine was in good condition and personnel were helpful.

WHITE RIVER COAL COMPANY **HAZLETON MINE PREP PLANT AREA**

INSPECTION DATE: 4/25/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Prep Plant
2. Raw Coal Belt
3. Clean Coal Belt
4. Plant Feed Belt

5. Shop Area
6. Surface Equipment
7. Belt House
8. A&B Shop Area

FINDINGS

1. Excess supply of grease needs removed	<u>LAW VIOLATED</u> IC 22-10-4-4
2. L220 loader needs high beam light replaced	IC 22-10-10-13
3. Raw coal belt take-up needs cleaned	IC 22-10-4-4
4. A&B shop area compressed air tank needs secured	IC 22-10-4-4
5. #001 cat truck has no back alarm, no horn, no high beams, no back-up light, no brake light and no danger tag to put it out of service	IC 22-10-10-13 d
6. #002 cat truck has no back-up alarm and no horn	IC 22-10-10-13 d
7. #003 cat truck has no back-up alarm and no horn	IC 22-10-10-13 d

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Grease supply was removed from belt house. The light on L220e loader was changed. #001, #002, and #003 trucks were taken out of service and repairs were made. Compressed air tank was secured. All violations were being attended to and overall condition of facility was good.

INSPECTION DATE: 6/13/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Main West Belt
2. Main West Piggy Back Belt
3. 6th South Belt
4. 2nd Main West Belt
5. 8th South Belt
6. Primary Escapeway from Unit #1 to Bottom
7. Haul Trucks (Surface)
8. Belt and Section Transformers

FINDINGS

1. Fire extinguisher at Mwest drive inspection tag not up to date	<u>LAW VIOLATED</u> IC 22-10-2-12-2 Sec 2
2. Mwest belt transformer no insulating mats at disconnects	IC 22-10-10-6 (e)
3. Mwest belt from #29 x-cut to MW piggy back head needs bottom swept	IC 22-10-8-2 (c)
4. Primary at 8th South btw #11 and #12 x-cut needs added roof support	IC 22-10-5-2 (e)

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

All violations were noted and were being corrected.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That all transformers and electrical installation be checked for insulating material at each switch point. Inform all personnel that eye protection is worn at anytime that work involves possible eye injury.

FIVE STAR COAL COMPANY **PROSPERITY MINE PREP PLANT AREA**

INSPECTION DATE: 5/4/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Surface Slope Belt
2. Raw Coal Tunnel
3. Raw Coal Stacker
4. Plant Feed Belt
5. # 206 Belt
6. Clean Coal Belt
7. Clean Coal Loading Area

8. Surface Equipment
9. 995 Volt MCC Room

FINDINGS

1. At surface slope drive, slope belt, raw coal belt, raw coal stacker belt, and the fire extinguishers inspection tags were out of date
2. Raw coal stacker belt walkways needed cleaned
3. Aerosol cans and map gas bottle needed removed from MCC room 995V
4. Raw coal tunnel belt control room extinguisher outdated tag
5. Plant feed belt belly pan needs cleaned
6. Snub roller on fines belt needs cleaned
7. #206 belt drive motor, no fire extinguisher present

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-12-2
 IC 22-10-4-3 sec 3b
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-12-2
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-12-2

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Fire extinguishers were tagged properly, all cleaning violations were done, excess trash was removed.

RECOMMENDATION

D-10 dozer have guarding put on right side engine compartment.

Surface facility was in good condition.

INSPECTION DATE: 6/12/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Unit #3
2. Unit # 5
3. 1s#1 Belt
4. 1s#2 Belt
5. 3n31 Belt
6. Mine Records
7. Secondary Escapeway from Bottom to Unit #3 and #5
8. Transformers and Power Centers

FINDINGS

1. 1S #1 belt needs added roof support placed at east corner of rib and brow
2. 1S #1 tail coal fines at scrapper need cleaned
3. 1S #2 take-up area needs cleaned
4. 3N #1 belt, fire extinguisher at 110 v pump inby head needs inspection tag
5. 3N #1 belt #5 x-cut btw haul road and belt trash needs removed
6. #5 CLA on Unit #5 fire extinguisher on CLA could not be taken out of holder

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-5-2 Sec 2 (e)
 IC 22-10-8-1 Sec 1 (a)
 IC 22-10-8-1 Sec 1 (a)
 IC 22-10-12-2 Sec 2
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-10-13 (d)

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Coal fines at 1S#1 tail were cleaned. #5 CLA fire extinguisher was put in operating condition. All other violations were noted by management and were being corrected. Both Units #3 and #5 were well maintained, clean, and well ventilated.

RECOMMENDATIONS

All fire extinguishers at every station need to be hung in a place where it is accessible in case equipment is on fire, not on equipment to be protected. When dusting on section, dust the top as well as floor and ribs.

TRIAD COAL COMPANY

FREELANDVILLE MINE PREP PLANT AREA

INSPECTION DATE: 4/17/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Prep Plant #1
2. Prep Plant #2

3. Surface Equipment
4. Shop Area

FINDINGS

1. Fire extinguisher at diesel fuel station tag outdated
2. Fire extinguisher on # 254 end loader tag out dated
3. All surface belt areas need general cleaning
4. Walkways around # 1 & 2 shaker screen areas need cleaned
5. Plant feed belt take-up area needs cleaned
6. Opening in west wall of #1 plant needs dangerous off and repaired
7. #249 end loader needs guards replaced on both sides of engine compartment

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-12-2
 IC 22-10-12-2
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-4-3 sec 3b
 IC 22-10-4-4
 IC 22-10-3 sec 3 b
 IC 22-10-10-13 d

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Clean up was started immediately around surface facility. Opening in #1 plant west wall was dangerous off and guards were being welded in place. #249 end loader was taken out of service and guards were being put on machine. General surface area was lax in cleaning and management was told to keep after and on their clean-up schedule.

TRIAD COAL COMPANY **FREELANDVILLE MINE**

INSPECTION DATE: 4/11/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. #1 South West Panel Seals
2. #2 South West Panel Seals
3. #3 South West Panel Seals
4. Secondary Escapeway
5. Intake Escapeway Form Unit #1,ims, 2mw, 2mwn, 2mwn to 1mwn.
6. 1mwn Head
7. Slope Belt
8. All Mine Records
9. Unit #1

FINDINGS

1. Unit #1 mobile equipment parked behind check curtain and not flagged to prevent someone from contacting piece of equipment
2. 2mwn intake from # 150 x-cut to 100 x-cut needs rock dusted
3. #67 x-cut needs added roof support in 2mw intake

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-4-3
 IC 22-10-8-2 sec c
 IC 22-10-5-2 sec e

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

The mobile equipment was flagged. Management noted all violations presented to them and were taking corrective action. All areas inspected with exception of above-mentioned areas were in excellent condition.

BLACK BEAUTY COAL COMPANY **FRANCISCO MINE**

INSPECTION DATE: 4/18/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Unit #1
2. 1st South East Seals
3. 6th East Seals
4. Southeast Belt
5. Southwest Belt
6. Southwest A Belt

7. Southwest B Belt
8. Southeast Sub Mains Belt
9. Mine Records
10. Surface Facility

FINDINGS

1. #73 x-cut on the southwest B belt, coal accumulation needed cleaned
2. Between #67 and #68 x-cut on se sub main belt water in walkway needs removed

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-8-1 sec 1 a
IC 22-10-4-4

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Coal accumulation was cleaned on sw b belt. Pump was set and water was being pumped from walkway between #67 and #68 x-cut on se sub main belt.

Mine site and all areas inspected were in excellent condition.

SUNRISE COAL COMPANY **CARLISLE MINE**

INSPECTION DATE: 4/19/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. All Mine Record Books
2. Unit #1
3. Unit #1 Belt
4. Slope Belt
5. Secondary Travelway
6. Surface Coal Trucks For Hazard Training

FINDINGS

1. #5 face area on unit #1 had 1.1% ch4 at the working face
2. Transformer on section had accumulation of trash in area
3. #1 continuous miner on section needed methane monitor calibrated
4. #2 continuous miner on section needed methane monitor calibrated

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-7-5 b
IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-10-13 d
IC 22-10-10-13 d

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

#5 Face area had ventilation changes made immediately. Trash at transformer area was removed. #1 and #2 continuous miners were taken out of service and methane monitors were calibrated.

Workers and management were instructed to keep frequent gas checks in all mining activities even more than the law required when necessary, and to check monitoring systems as often as necessary even above what is outlined in the law, which is calibration every 30 days.

All citations were corrected immediately. Mine, except for above citations, was well maintained in areas inspected.

DATE OF INSPECTION: 6/14/07

AREAS INSPECTED

1. Slope Belt Head Area
2. Raw Coal Belt
3. Raw Coal Tunnel
4. Plant Feed Belt
5. Clean Coal Belt
6. Prep Plant
7. D8I Dozer
8. 873 Bobcat

FINDINGS

1. Need fire extinguishers at all electrical installations on surface belts
2. Welder Control box at first floor of prep plant needs ID tag on it
3. D8L Dozer needs door glass in operators cab replaced
4. Bobcat 873 has no horn

LAW VIOLATED

IC 22-10-4-4
IC 22-10-10-6 (d)
IC 22-10-10-13 (d)
IC 22-10-10-13 (d)

CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

Fire extinguishers were being installed at each electrical installation. Welder control box ID was attached. D8L dozer had window replaced in operator cab door.

RECOMMENDATION

That all control panels and switches are checked to make sure permanent ID tags are installed.

Surface facility and prep plant were in excellent condition. Management and employees were cooperative and helpful.